

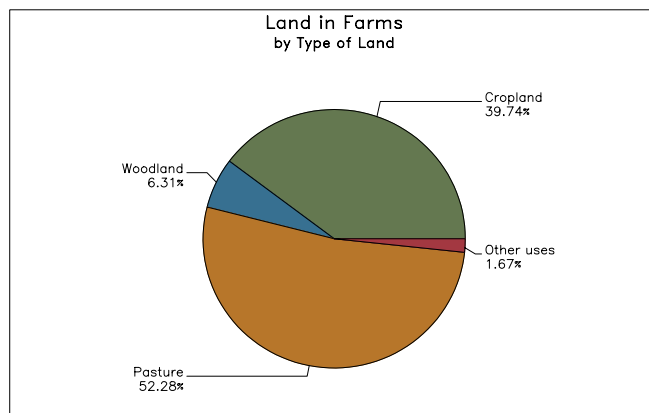
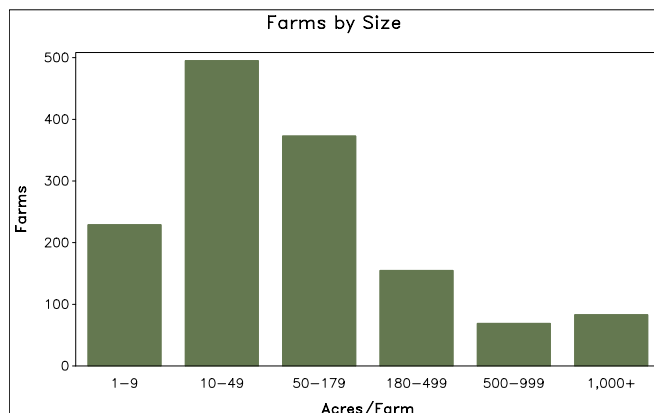
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## County Profile

### Fort Bend, Texas



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,404	1,560	- 10
<b>Land in Farms</b>	382,740 acres	415,251 acres	- 8
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	273 acres	266 acres	+ 2
<b>Market Value of Production</b>	\$94,494,000	\$49,851,000	+ 90
Crop Sales \$80,323,000 (85 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$14,171,000 (15 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$67,304	\$31,956	+ 111
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$4,237,000	\$4,211,000	+ 1
Average Per Farm	\$12,879	\$15,892	- 19



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Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	94,494	48	254	936	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	80,323	25	253	513	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	14,171	151	254	1,802	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	15,039	44	244	1,094	2,933
Tobacco	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	11,801	38	161	104	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	758	53	199	903	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	652	55	229	608	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	49,678	5	176	65	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(-)	(-)	80	(-)	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,395	103	252	726	3,054
Poultry and eggs	43	114	240	1,742	3,020
Cattle and calves	12,918	138	254	998	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	30	120	158	2,202	2,493
Hogs and pigs	256	23	235	1,168	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	252	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	641	44	253	363	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	101	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	126	90	232	900	2,875
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	46,206	111	254	650	3,060
Horses and ponies	3,105	38	254	243	3,066
Layers	1,476	100	246	1,306	3,024
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,197	46	172	864	2,476
Hogs and pigs	898	19	244	1,238	2,958
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Cotton, all	34,983	34	161	79	627
Sorghum for grain	33,055	21	187	68	1,158
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	23,055	88	253	918	3,060
Corn for grain	13,151	38	183	1,079	2,634
Rice	4,232	9	20	79	135

### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	407	Farming	536
\$1,000 to \$2,499	186	Other	868
\$2,500 to \$4,999	164		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	229	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	137	Male	1,184
\$20,000 to \$24,999	33	Female	220
\$25,000 to \$39,999	57		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	58		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	57	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	28	American Indian or Alaska Native	9
\$500,000 or more	24	Asian	30
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	77,410	Black or African American	123
Average per farm (\$)	55,135	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	(-)
		White	1,827
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	24,192	More than one race	31
Average per farm (\$)	17,231	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	155

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.